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6 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
7 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

8 TROVE BRANDS, LLC d/b/a THE ) Case #2:21-cv-00624-MMD-NJK  
9 BLENDERBOTTLE COMPANY, )  
a Utah limited liability company )  
10 Plaintiff(s), )  
11 vs. )  
12 SYNERGY CHC CORP. d/b/a FLAT )  
TUMMY CO., a Nevada corporation, )  
13 Defendant(s). )  
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**VERIFIED PETITION FOR  
PERMISSION TO PRACTICE  
IN THIS CASE ONLY BY  
ATTORNEY NOT ADMITTED  
TO THE BAR OF THIS COURT  
AND DESIGNATION OF  
LOCAL COUNSEL**

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Nicole R. Townes \_\_\_\_\_, Petitioner, respectfully represents to the Court:  
(name of petitioner)

1. That Petitioner is an attorney at law and a member of the law firm of  
Knobbe Martens Olson & Bear LLP  
(firm name)

with offices at \_\_\_\_\_ 2040 Main Street, Fourteenth Floor \_\_\_\_\_,  
(street address)

Irvine \_\_\_\_\_, California \_\_\_\_\_, 92614 \_\_\_\_\_,  
(city) (state) (zip code)

949-760-0404 \_\_\_\_\_, nicole.townes@knobbe.com \_\_\_\_\_.  
(area code + telephone number) (Email address)

2. That Petitioner has been retained personally or as a member of the law firm by  
Trove Brands, LLC \_\_\_\_\_ to provide legal representation in connection with  
[client(s)]

the above-entitled case now pending before this Court.

7       4.     That Petitioner was admitted to practice before the following United States District  
8     Courts, United States Circuit Courts of Appeal, the Supreme Court of the United States and Courts  
9     of other States on the dates indicated for each, and that Petitioner is presently a member in good  
10    standing of the bars of said Courts.

11	Court	Date Admitted	Bar Number
12	US District Court, Central District of CA	12/09/2010	
13	US District Court Northern District of CA	08/21/2013	
14	US District Court Southern District of CA	10/24/2011	
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19       5. That there are or have been no disciplinary proceedings instituted against petitioner,  
20 nor any suspension of any license, certificate or privilege to appear before any judicial, regulatory  
21 or administrative body, or any resignation or termination in order to avoid disciplinary or  
22 disbarment proceedings, except as described in detail below:

None

1        6.    That Petitioner has never been denied admission to the State Bar of Nevada. (Give  
2    particulars if ever denied admission):

3    None

6        7.    That Petitioner is a member of good standing in the following Bar Associations.

7    None

10       8.    Petitioner has filed application(s) to appear as counsel under Local Rule IA 11-2  
11    (formerly LR IA 10-2) during the past three (3) years in the following matters: (State "none" if no applications.)

12    Date of Application	13    Cause	14    Title of Court 15    Administrative Body 16    or Arbitrator	17    Was Application 18    Granted or 19    Denied

19       (If necessary, please attach a statement of additional applications)

20       9.    Petitioner consents to the jurisdiction of the courts and disciplinary boards of the  
21    State of Nevada with respect to the law of this state governing the conduct of attorneys to the same  
22    extent as a member of the State Bar of Nevada.

23       10.   Petitioner agrees to comply with the standards of professional conduct required of  
24    the members of the bar of this court.

25       11.   Petitioner has disclosed in writing to the client that the applicant is not admitted to  
26    practice in this jurisdiction and that the client has consented to such representation.

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That Petitioner respectfully prays that Petitioner be admitted to practice before this Court FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CASE ONLY.

STATE OF California )  
COUNTY OF Orange )

Petitioner's signature

Nicole R. Townes, Petitioner, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That the foregoing statements are true.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Petitioner's signature

Notary Public or Clerk of Court

**DESIGNATION OF RESIDENT ATTORNEY ADMITTED TO  
THE BAR OF THIS COURT AND CONSENT THERETO.**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Local Rules of Practice for this Court, the Petitioner believes it to be in the best interests of the client(s) to designate F. Christopher Austin,  
(name of local counsel) Attorney at Law, member of the State of Nevada and previously admitted to practice before the above-entitled Court as associate resident counsel in this action. The address and email address of said designated Nevada counsel is:

Weide & Miller Ltd. 10655 Park Run Drive, Suite 100

(street address)

## Las Vegas

(city)

## Nevada

89144

(zip code),

702-382-4804, caustin@weidemiller.com  
(area code + telephone number) (Email address)

1 By this designation the petitioner and undersigned party(ies) agree that this designation constitutes  
2 agreement and authorization for the designated resident admitted counsel to sign stipulations  
3 binding on all of us.

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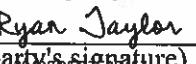
5 **APPOINTMENT OF DESIGNATED RESIDENT NEVADA COUNSEL**

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7 The undersigned party(ies) appoint(s) F. Christopher Austin as  
8 (name of local counsel)  
his/her/their Designated Resident Nevada Counsel in this case.

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DocuSigned by:  
  
(party's signature)

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Ryan Taylor, General Counsel  
(type or print party name, title)

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(party's signature)

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17 **CONSENT OF DESIGNEE**

18 The undersigned hereby consents to serve as associate resident Nevada counsel in this case.



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20 Designated Resident Nevada Counsel's signature

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6559  
Bar number

caustin@weidemiller.com  
Email address

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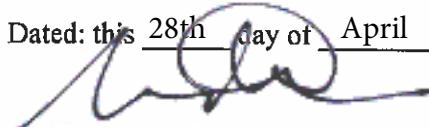
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APPROVED:

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Dated: this 28th day of April, 2021.

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26 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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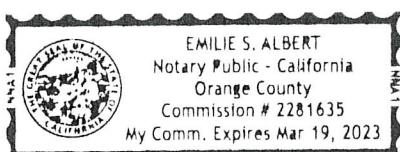
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State of California

County of Orange

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Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me

on this 27 day of April, 2021,  
by Date Month Year(1) Nicole Townes(and (2) \_\_\_\_\_),  
Name(s) of Signer(s)proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to  
be the person(s) who appeared before me.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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# Supreme Court of California

JORGE E. NAVARRETE

*Clerk and Executive Officer of the Supreme Court*

## CERTIFICATE OF THE CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**NICOLE ANTOINETTE ROSSI TOWNES**

*I, JORGE E. NAVARRETE, Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of California, do hereby certify that NICOLE ANTOINETTE ROSSI TOWNES, #272342, was on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2010, duly admitted to practice as an attorney and counselor at law in all the courts of this state, and is now listed on the Roll of Attorneys as a member of the bar of this state in good standing.*

*Witness my hand and the seal of the court  
on the 28th day of April 2021.*

JORGE E. NAVARRETE  
*Clerk of the Supreme Court*

By:

*Regine Ho, Senior Deputy Clerk*